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## Study Initiated to Chart PC Future

A study toward charting the future development of Presbyterian College and its maximum role in Christian higher education began this month under the supervision of six distinguished educators.

Dr. R. H. Fitzgerald, chancellor emeritus of the University of Pittsburgh, serves as director of the study. He has as consultants: Dean Maxwell A. Smith of the University of Chattanooga, Dr. James M. Godard of the University of Miami (Fla.), President J. Ollie Edmunds of Stetson and currently president of the Association of American Colleges, Chancellor Guy E. Snavelly of Birmingham-Southern and Dr. G. H. Cartledge of Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

This group of educational experts assembled at PC on March 25 for the initial meeting of the project which is sponsored and financed by the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church US. A number of representative Presbyterians of South Carolina and Georgia, serving as an advisory council by appointment of the moderators of the two synods, also attended the meeting.

They discussed, at this time, the methods of study and the objectives to be achieved, and began an analysis of the educational tasks of the two synods as well as how Presbyterian College can best meet its responsibilities.

President Marshall W. Brown said the study is being conducted at the invitation of the administration and the board of trustees. The Board of Christian Education has recently initiated a number of these surveys at other Presbyterian colleges, and it is allocating \$5,000 for the PC study.

He said Chancellor Fitzgerald, in his capacity as director, will remain on the Presbyterian College campus for about one month, coordinating the study and consulting with the college staff, trustees, alumni and Presbyterian leaders. Each consultant will examine thoroughly some particular phase of the college work. They have scheduled a second consultant's meeting on April 29 and plan to hold a final meeting, with advisory council included, next October to receive the report.

Dr. Hunter B. Blakely, chairman of the division of higher education of the Board of Christian Education, also attended the initial meeting and spoke on "College Studies in the Presbyterian Church and Their Importance". Director Fitzgerald covered "The Methods of Making a College Study".

Robert M. Vance of Clinton, chairman of the PC board of trustees, was named chairman of the synod's advisory council. Hugh Jacobs and R. E. Ferguson, Jr., also of this city, were chosen secretary and treasurer respectively. Vance will appoint an executive committee shortly to represent the advisory council in working closely with the consultants.

# Piedmont Presbytery, Charlotte Campaign

Piedmont Presbytery is aiming for \$49,500, and the Charlotte Alumni Region already has achieved more than \$17,000.

These are the latest progress reports on the Presbyterian College Diamond Jubilee Development program, now conducting the final drives of an 18-month campaign.

Thus far, more than \$940,000 has been paid or pledged to the development program. National foundations have given some of this total, but most of it—or almost \$860,000—has been subscribed as part of the Diamond Jubilee campaign conducted throughout the controlling Synods of Georgia and South Carolina.

PC Alumni beyond the bounds of these two synods also have joined in support of the program. And the Charlotte region—consisting of not more than 150 alumni altogether—staged its own well-organized campaign to raise \$17,102. This group, headed by Ross Templeton and Robert L. Wylie, Jr., continues to work in determination to reach \$25,000.

In South Carolina's Piedmont Presbytery, meanwhile, a campaign organization is being assembled by co-chairmen Douglas McDougald and the Rev. W. McLeod Frampton, both of Anderson.

A Diamond Jubilee dinner to launch the drive there is scheduled for April 22, with Dr. J. McDowell Richards, president of Columbia Theological Seminary, as the principal speaker. Active solicitations will begin the next day and continue for three weeks thereafter.

## Sunday Schools Support Program

Additional support from the Parents Class of the Decatur (Ga.) Presbyterian Church Sunday School brings to 16 the number of Sunday schools in Georgia and South Carolina which have contributed to Presbyterian College's Diamond Jubilee Development program.

R. B. Caldwell, president of the Decatur Parents Class, forwarded a gift this month to bring his organization's contribution into the category of a Leadership (\$300) Share.

The 16 Sunday school subscriptions thus far total more than \$2,500. In addition to the Decatur Church, they have come from:

Fountain Inn (S.C.) Church Sunday School; Senior Fellowship, Bethesda Church of McConnells, S. C.; Cora Hardin Bible Class, Young Men's Bible Class and the A. L. Gaston Bible Class, all of the Purity Church of Chester, S. C.; Men's Bible Class, Eau Claire Church of Columbia; Men's Bible Class and Sunday School, both of Columbia First Church; Pioneer Sunday School Class and Adult Class, both of the Welcome Church of Ware Shoals, S. C.; Young People's Group, Unity Church of Fort Mill, S. C.;

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Men's Bible Class, Clinton First Church.

R. L. Anderson Bible Class, Macon First Church; Young People's Group, Augusta First Church; Young People's Group, Cliffwood Chapel of Augusta.

## Spring Holidays

Easter holidays at Presbyterian College are scheduled to start on April 18 and extend through April 24.

The spring vacation period will be the last "break" of the 1956-57 session, with final examinations slated to get underway a month later, on May 24. Commencement exercises are set for June 2-3.

# Trustees Raise Salaries, Name Degree Men

Presbyterian College trustees elected new officers, chose three honorary degree recipients and voted an increase in faculty salaries as the highlights of their annual board meeting on March 5.

Robert M. Vance, Clinton banker, was elevated from vice-chairman to chairman of the PC board of trustees to succeed the Rev. Harry K. Holland of Marietta, Ga.

The Rev. J. Davison Philips, pastor of the Decatur (Ga.) Presbyterian Church, was elected vice-chairman to replace Vance; and J. Ferdinand Jacobs, Clinton religious advertising executive, was re-elected board secretary.

The trustee group decided to award two honorary doctor of divinity degrees and one honorary doctor of laws degree at commencement exercises on June 3. Those men chosen to receive the doctor of divinity degrees are: the Rev. Neil Truesdale, pastor of the Aveleigh Presbyterian Church of Newberry, S. C.; and the Rev. Allison Williams, pastor of Atlanta's Trinity Presbyterian Church. The doctor of laws degree will go to Douglas G. MacRae, also of Atlanta, a Christian leader and television Sunday School teacher who serves as assistant superintendent of the Fulton County Public Schools.

Dr. Marshall W. Brown, president of Presbyterian College, said the trustees authorized salary increases of eight percent for the faculty. He said this raise will apply to all members who

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have been on the faculty for two or more years and will become effective next September. Dr. Brown pointed out the board also approved a salary scale which would mean further upward adjustments when resources become available.

Twenty-three trustees, representing the two controlling Synods of South Carolina and Georgia and also the PC alumni group, attended the meeting.

Vance, the new chairman, has been a member of the Presbyterian College board since 1952. A South Carolina Synod-at-large representative, he served the past two years as vice-chairman. Philips, who replaces Vance as vice-chairman, is serving his first term on the board, having been elected the Atlanta Presbytery representative in 1954. Secretary Jacobs is completing his third year as alumni representative to the board of trustees.

## Religious Emphasis Week

Dr. Grady Wilson, associate evangelist with Billy Graham's evangelistic team, headed the 1957 Religious Emphasis Week program at Presbyterian College earlier this month.

Serving with him in developing the theme "For Every Man a Christian Calling" were the Rev. Ellis Oakes, pastor of the Great Falls (S. C.) Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Tom Cook of the Walterboro (S. C.) Bethel Presbyterian Church.

## Historical Society Meets

Presbyterian College will play host to the annual meeting of the South Carolina Historical Society on April 6.

Professor Bell Irvin Wiley of Emory University will deliver the main address of the occasion. He is recognized as one of the outstanding authorities on the Civil War and is the author of **The Life of Johnny Reb** and a companion volume **The Life of Billy Yank**, two historical best sellers.

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## Meet the Staff

### **G. EDWARD CAMPBELL, Business Manager**

G. Edward Campbell, completing his first year as business manager, has been a member of the Presbyterian College administrative staff since 1950.

He stepped into the position of registrar immediately upon graduating from PC summa cum laude with a BA degree and a mathematics-economics major. After six years in this capacity, he moved to the business office last spring upon the resignation of the bursar, Mrs. George Taylor, who returned to missionary work in Brazil.

Campbell performed outstanding work as registrar, especially in the fields of student recruitment and admissions. He was named president of the South Carolina Association of College Registrars last year shortly before moving from this department to the business office.

Campbell has been active in the civic and religious life of Clinton, serving as a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church and as a former secretary of the Kiwanis Club. A veteran of two years' service in the U.S. Army in World War II, he is a native of McCormick, S. C. His wife is the former Miss Nellie Gettys, also of McCormick, and they have a son and twin daughters.

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